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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**Docket No.  
**DRE-0055**In Re Application Of: **Laurencin et al.**

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from: August 5, 2006    until: October 2, 2006  
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## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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| INDEP. CLAIMS                                 | 3 -                                 | 3 =                         | 0                              | x \$42.00 | \$0.00            |
| FEE FOR AMENDMENT                             |                                     |                             |                                |           | \$0.00            |
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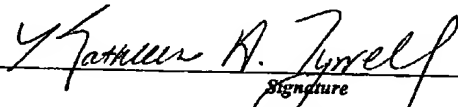
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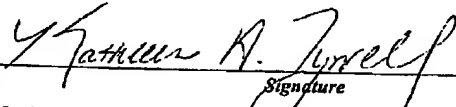
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